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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of 9/4/2008, having a shortened statutory period for response due 12/4/2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejections in view of the following remarks and the accompanying declaration. A complete listing of all claims, including the text of all non-cancelled claims, is attached.

This Response is accompanied by a Transmittal Form.

No fee is believed due. In the event that a fee is required in connection with the filing of this Response, the Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the amount of such fee to Peters Verny, LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1331.

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